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Fine Sport Upon Board Floor Tracks and in Well Appointed Gymnasiums.

## BOXING AND BOWLING

Eagle Eyed Marksmen Shoot Well and Indoor Ball Men Work with a Will.

CULLINGS FROM THE BIG CLUBS



ANY are the aspirants for new honors on the track, in the Seld and inside the twenty-four foot ring. The armories and gymnasiums were crowded with athletic amateurs during the past week, the indoor ball men took another jump into popular favor and the merry bowlers bowled as they Hoxing, however, seems to be the popular pas-

more tournaments "on" than one can possibly take part in, and the clubs in charge of them are sure to be benefited fluancially to a large degree. Shooting and skating have had a chance at monopolizing the leisure of the sporting man, and the big athletic clubs have been as busy as bees. The week just past has been a lively one, but there are some to come that will make the amateurs work harder than ever.

## ATHLETIC FIXTURES.

5-Joint games of the Corinthian Athletic ompany F, Forty seventh regiment. 5-Union A.C. convertainment and boxing. 50-Pastime A.C. boxing tournament. 513-Varuna B.C. boxing tournament. 52-Acorn A.A. entertainment. 51-Beston A.A. invitation sparring and

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Boston A.A. boxing.

Bavenswood E.C. boxing tournament.

New York A.C. boxing tournament.

Sevonty-first Regiment A.A. indoor games.

-Nautins H.C. indoor games.

Bighton A.C. boxing tournament.

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#### MERCURY FOOTPRINTS. WHAT THE NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB MEN ARE DOING JUST NOW.

the chose player, is a life member of

orest in the various games is on the increase.

B. Talcott, who is a life member of the club, is the
bable vice president of the New York Rambell (Inb.
18 B. Bay, the president, is alse a life member;
he club is blessed with a brilliant collection of base1 magnatis in John H. Day, E. B. Talcott, A. A.
lipla, C. Van Cott, John Wallace and Waller Apple

rings.
Athlotics are very quiet just at present, as far as the Moreurr Front men are concerned. With the coming of spring there il be a boom sad the purious stare will get down to work. It is not known who they the club will have the farvices of Dohm, Downs, Lee and other prize winners, but these who have matters in charge promise some rare surprises when the time comes.

## CHERRY DIAMOND GLINTS. THE MANHAITAN A.C. MEN BUSY IN ALL DE-

B. Spalding do Carmondia has been placed in charge of the club's lawn tennis matters. N. F. Doberty, the champion amateur heavy weight bexer, has applied for the position of hexing instructor to the disb. There will be a kirmess or fair some time this winter, under the management of President Goorge W. Carr and Mrs. W. J. Swap, for the benefit of the club.

Billy Swan has been in the habit of howling with an lighted clear in his mouth. His scores have not been gh, so his friends have saked him to light the weed to ange his luck. It is quite probable that Walter de Haun will be ap-inted the boxing instructor before long. He is abig that for the position, and can do the club a great deal good in this line.

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Wation Storm is credited by the members as being-vially responsible for the present magnificant with scale. He came forward with his money and influence sat when no one could be found who was willing to take

ny risks.

Cantain James Colling Summers, the yachting director, is meeting with great success in his lectures upon samanain. He has rigged up a mast with sails and are in the gymnasium and his pupils are rapidly arning the ropes.

### FISTICUFFS AMONG AMATEURS. CLEVER BOXERS IN RIGID TRAINING FOR VIC-TORY AND PRIZES.

M. McAnlife of the Bridge A.C. and J. Butler, the middle weight boxer of the Varinas have been matched to hox four rounds. The event will be decided at an invitation tournament of the Viruna Boat Clink to be held most mount. The winner will receive a gold watch. The Mchican A.C. will held the first of a series of invitation hoxing tournament on February 10. The counts about the first of a series of invitation hoxing tournament on February 10. The counts about a feather weight class limit 116 pounds as yeard the beats.

govern the house.

Ed. Closterman, the hert hitting middle weight boxer of the Sentish American A.C., will compete in the 168 pound class at the Pastime A.C. tournament. The last time cleary must boxed was at the National A.C., when he kneeked out two mon and won first prize.

Mike Luonard, the 150 pound boxes of the Varuna Boat Crish, is one of the nest pound boxes. In the amateur arona, He rately him a straight blow, depending entirely she swings and upper outs. It also no of the hardest hitters in the ring and is very quick.

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W. A. Allison, of the Chatham A.C., of Worcester, Mass., ran a good rate from the 14 part mark in the 40 part mark in the 40 part mark in the 40 part mark in the 5 part mark in the 30 pound boxer of the Veruna Boat Cith, is sue of the meet possible to beer in the amateur part run at the joint games of the 8 part unfortunate, however, in both the preliminary and final hears. In the preliminary he was causing nicely in second place and chapilly catching the leader when he was founded to start in the final. In the final heart was the National Council teams, by their victory over the South Part and Lincoln Council teams, by their victory over the South Part and Lincoln Council teams, by their victory over the South Part and Lincoln Council teams, by their victory over the South Part and Lincoln Council teams, by the counter the Chicago Tribune.

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#### N.J.A.C. HITS AND MISSES. THE BERGEN POINT ATHLETES EAGER FOR WORK AND THE NEW CLUB HOUSE.

Manager Annett, of the baseball department, says that the club will have a fine team out next season. James D. Boyd, secretary, is a hard and faithful worker. He is also chairman of the Hense Committee.

E. E. Barnes is the champlen modal winner of the club, and almostly every set of games he manages to score a win.

willie Day, the champion cross country runner and winner of the Hanano cup, has been appenred captain of the club's cross country team. As he expects to start in the race in April be will work hard to got out a crack team. His assistant will be Frank Clark, of Enyonic, and U.S. Greenhall, of New York. The last named gentium as will take charge of the runs in New York city and Day and Clark will look out for New Jorsey.

### ATHLETES UNDER COVER MANY CLEVES PERFORMANCES NOTED AT BECENT ARMORT GAMES.

Ingaion, S. I., on an unary 200.

L. Needl, the champlon walker, was acratch man in one mile walk as the star and Ninth recliment games. Was unable to do better than Inits fourth. Nicell rigid his poor showing to Christmas fun.

the final heat he was also fould in short distance from the finish, otherwise he would have been placed.

## BOWLERS BUSY AS BEES. TWIRLERS OF THE WOODEN BALL ROLLING UP

GOOD SCORES ON MANY ALLEYS. the leading bowler of the Lenex Club, left for la the past week where he inlends to go into . The club has lost so excellent player.

Although only organized about three weeks, the new imperial club is already able to produce an eight mon-seam strong spough to battle with teams that have made good records for themselves.

a big five how here are now fille at a moment's call lap a total of \$50 or over.

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T. Trafton, of the Winena club, is sending the ball in the alley with the style of a veteram. Although is the first season as a bowler his work has been of kind that will place him among the leading men of team before the close of the season.

now are that the Monroes and Echos will be the only ones in the tournament who will stand a chance of best-

The annual recognized his triona scapectod.

The annual recognized of the Orion B.C., which will be held at Ariun Hall on January 11, will be one of the linest social affairs held in bowling circles this season.

The Atalanta Wheelmen's defeat of the crack Brooklyn Bleyels Club's team was a big surprise to wheelmen bowlers. The flue work of Halsey and Edwards accomplished it. The Brooklyn Bleyels Club won a hrilliant victory Mon-day night in the Wheelmon's League series over the Huston county Wheelmon, who up to that time had been in the load.

INDOOR BALL PLAYERS RESTING. SEVENTH REGIMENT BASE BUNNERS IDLING THE THE HOLIDAYS AWAY,

Theise is about the best all around player that Company B has. Ho is not only an effective pitcher, but can play second hase as well as any player that is steadily stationed on the bag.

TRAP AND TARGET SHOOTERS. LIVE AND CLAY BIRDS BROUGHT DOWN AND BULL -- EYES BIDDLED.

the Claremont One Club.

Hedden and Huntused their guns in a brilliant manner last, week. In shooting at filteen blue rocks sent from single traps they call popped fourtoon.

Oth, of the Steubens is not a marksman of any longthy experience, but the acores that he is now drawing out look as though he will some be at the bead of the list.

But little or no shooting has been due by any of the rifle clube, in this wiceally during the past week. But it was a big week for the gan clubs and outdoor shooters.

CHESS PROBLEM.

BY JAMES STENT. BLACK-TEN PIECES.

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Ps on K 7, K K 4, E Kt 6, K B 4, Q B 3 and Q Kt 2.



WHITE-THINTIEN PIRCES.

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K Et 2. K K t 5. K 3. Q B 4 and Q R 78.

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Solution to problem by Lioutenant H. von Duben,

Pto R 4.

Correct solutions received from G. F. Dougherty,

Now York: Miss Cambia Hoth, Heinpstead, L. L;

G. E. Henschél. New York: Edward Hoy, Procklyn;

F. W. Powers, Brocklyn: Alived Berman, New York,

and M. H. Gubmace, New York.

MISUNDERSTOOD.

[From the Chicago Tribune.] "Hello, Bingley. Just back from the West? Did

# AMATEUR CHAMPIONS

Gossip / bout the Young Men Who Box for Glory and Gold Medals.

# IT'S MIGHTY HARD WORK, BUT LOTS OF FUN.

Bold Sonneteer Dawson Would Like to Try for Middle Weight Laurels-Here Is an Attractive Proposition.



and that the other fellow is the Dragon. Gold medals are the prizes. The boys lunge, slug, counter, upper cut and swing at one another like smiling demons. It matters nothing whether or not you are the gentlest of gentle readers, you are bound to enjoy the spectacle. Here are firm muscle, skill and the grittlest courage opposed, foot to foot and eye

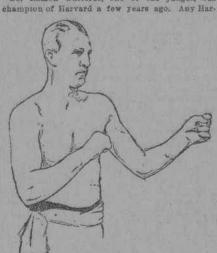
They can the play the annual boxing championship of the Amateur Athletic Union of America in the advertisements, but the knowing men of this town call it the biggest treat of the year. They loog forward to it wisifully for months, and then sit enthralled from eight o'clock in the evening until the last blow has been sent home and the final championship award has been given. It has been my good fortune to sit in front when Patti was war-



bling her sweetest notes and to hear Lilli Lehmann at her grandest, but never have I seen such numhers of enthusiasts in the house and never have I witnessed such outpourings of feeling as when at the end of a hard fought bout the panting champion stands alone in the ring and bows his thanks to the referee, the judges and the roaring, cheer ing, handelapping thousands in the packed tiers of Beats.

And it is a good thing that this is so. It proves that we Americans honor skill and pluck when we see it, and that we have not become so overrefined that our hearts will not go out to a good man who fights to the end and keeps a stout heart and a clear head under a storm of prodigious blows. I fancy I hear some one saying that this is all very well, but that those who look on have no genuine sympathy with the boxers. Nothing could be further from the truth. Not one man in ten of the Saturday before Christmas but had punched and been punched a score of times. They were all experts, and that is why they were there. Harry Buermeyer, the referee, was amateur champion heavy weight of America in his day-a man with whom the professional champion of his time refused to box, saying he would not risk the chance of being knocked out by an amateur's hand.

Dr. Ramon Gulteras, one of the judges, was



vard man will tell you how the Doctor knocked John L. Sullivan down in a friendly set-to in the

John L. Sullivan down in a friendly set-to in the college gymnasium one day when the great slugger had just begun to shine as a knocker-out, and how the pair had it hammer and tongs for four very entertaining younds afterward. Charley Mitchell's boast that he was the first man to upset the big fellow is a bit of fiction.

I wonder how many people who read this story know how much hard work the champions go through before they come to the front as first class men? A novice at aprinting may capture a prize by flying away from a field of good men through some lucky chance. Not so with the hoter. He must putuch and smile at his comjetitors one after another, and never weary of either feat until he reaches the pinnacle of fame. And even then in in his next competition he may be a trifle carciass and lose at the hoter he has accumulated by so many hard kneeds.

WHO THE CHAMPIONS ABE.

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Mr. Murphy is a newcomer among champions. One year ago be was a novice. Night after night he beyed in the gymnasium of the Pastime Athlete Ciuc, and the fight between them was worth going miles to see. Mr. O'Brien was so cut up over his defeat that he refused to shake hand whis his conqueror walked across the ring and held out his right hand. This little favor, by the way, is one of the prettiest sights in the game. It shows the entire absence of ill feeling and intartic, very rarely, omitted.

Patrick Cahili, the middle weight champion, is a born fighter. He is good tempered, modest and as

fair a man as ever boxed. I have so n him making things comfortable for a beaten adversary who was "arongs;" when he could have punched him wherever we pleased. As a tolddle weight he has never been beaten. He won many prizes as a light weight and welter weight. He won the anather middle weight championship in 1883 and 1884, with a first part the first was inducted person accused him of heing thinted with professionalism and the investigation of the charge was delayed from week week. This was nebody's fault, of course, but it hurt Cahill. It is a remarkable thing how no found yever finds fault with a fellow's amarket standing until be becomes a champion. Then the fund of the player risk was nebody's fault, of course, but it hurt Cahill. It is a remarkable thing how no fund yever finds fault with a fellow's amarket standing until be becomes a champion. Then the fund of the player risk was nebody's fault of course, but it hurt Cahill. It is a remarkable thing how no fund yever finds fault with a fellow's amarket standing until be becomes a champion. Then the fund of the players risk was the channes to carry off the pain in 1883. There a long and searching investigation Mr. Cahill came out triumphant as an amatour, but he had lost the channes to carry off the pain in 1883. There are three chaill brothers, and they are all first class boxsors. The only toacher that all of Mr. Cahill solve a chill brothers, and they are all first class boxsors. The only toacher they are all first class middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten all the middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten all the middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten all the middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten all the middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten all the middle weight to match against Jonathan L. Herget (Young Mitchell), who had beaten al

at Mr. Cahill's refusel to fight for gain.

AMATEUR VS. FROFESSIO-AL.

"He's one of the best hovers I sever saw," said Donovan to me. "He's the only middle weight I know who could make Jack Dempsey exert himself in the rins."

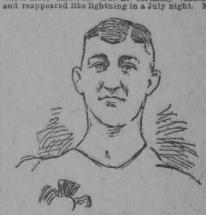
Air. Cahill has been boxing ever since he was a little boy. When in the ring he stands with his feet far apart, his left arm well out and low, and his right arm much further back than most boxers hold it. His position looks awkward, and his habit of ducking blows instead of stopping them has been much criticised; yet somenow he is always successful. In boxing cossume he weights 168 pounds and his height is about five feet mine inches. He has clear blue eyes, like a sailor's, and very fair, golden hair, with a tendency to foregather into a bang. Somehow or other the boys fail to guy that bang.

and he is a creator of symphonies in right hand awings. Why will not the Athletic Club of the Sohuykill Navy bring these young men together? Every athlete for miles around would be at the meeting.

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WAS R. M. LEEDS WRONGED?

Every man I have talked with about the latest amateur championship contests agrees that it was a great mistake to give the first honors in the light weight class to J. Rice, of the Varuna B.C., Erocklyn. His adversary, H. M. Leeds, of the Atlantic City Athletic Club, is the amartest light weight amateur New Yorkers have looked at lor yours. He has a dazkling smile that never cases for an instant. His yellow mustache is faultless in its curves. His rosy cheeks are beautiful and his yellow hangs a delight, but my! how he does yunch. Quick on his feet as a dancing master, he is smiling in his antagonist's eye and smashing him right and left simultaneously, and one-fifth of a second later he fs three yards away and laughing good naturedly. Jack bempsey is quick in a raily, but Mr. Leeds appeared to me to be quicker. Perhaps it was because his foeman was a mere amateur. But he certainly vanished and reappeared like lighting in a July night. Mr.



JIM MURPHY.

Rice was not able to touch him. Every time Rice led the blow either fell three inches short or Mr. Leeds came up under it and laughed at the astonished Brocklynite. And yet the judges and referee awarded the first prize to Mr. Rice, "because he did most of the leading," as they expressed it after listening to a storm of hisses that issted for almost a full minute.

WHAT SAY YOU, GENTLEMEN?

Now, here is a scheme whereby the Amateur Athletic Union may make much money. Let the Union offer suitable trophies to the victors and their clubs for eight or ten round bouts between Champion Cahill and the Foet Dawson and the light weights H. M. Leeds and J. Rice. Let the Urizes for the men be as modest as you please or as rich as the A.A.U. thirty dollar limit of valuation will allow, out let the club trophies be fine and costly. The present A.A.U. boxing laws prohibit more than three rounds—with a possible two minute round added at the referee's discretion—between amateurs; but it is the eastest thing in the world to grant exceptions. If such an exhibition as I have suggested should be brought off in New York, properly advertised, it would pack the Metropolitan Opera House to evarflowing, and, above everything else, it would settle the Cahill-Dawson and Leeds-Rice problems beyond the possibility of dispute, especially if the referee chosen were some man of known ability and broad experience, such as Dr. Ramon Guiteras, Mr. John B. McCermack, Mr. James C. Kennedy or Mr. Pears J. Donohue. I don't know whether Mr. Dawson is still anxious to box Mr. Cahill or not, but I do know that the champion is perfectly willing to defend his title. When I spoke to him yestarday about Mr. Dawson's manifesto in print, he said:

"I'd don't see the use of stirring up Mr. Dawson. He cannot care much for boxing or he would have come to the tournament. Still, if he is as anxious to box me as he was some weeks ago, I'm pericetly willing to meet him. I would have nothing to gain by it except the pleasure of satisfying Mr. Dawson. Come, Mr. Dawso

MAGIC AND ART IN ONE.

A PECULIAR STATUE CREATES AMUSEMENT IN AN UPTOWN STORE. A well known uptown dealer in bric-a-brae and

unique parlor furniture is responsible for the introduction of a new style of statue. It is of carved wood, in antique design, and life size. The par-